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a Lesson in the University of The New Covenant
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1. You must know the world system Ted. That's why I have you in the doctoral program at Regent. It's of Me Ted. It is of Me. I opened the door for you to be a part of it so you would know what is being taught and said about leadership and you'd also have a foundation from what I have given them about leadership springing forth from My Word, Me, My wants, My desires.

2. Leadership Ted. I have called you to leadership. You are mine and I am yours and I will cause you to lead. I will propel you into arenas yet unimaginable by you. For you have not sought greatness. You have sought to know Me and do what you were born for. That's a good combination Ted. It will preach well—smile—smile—I want you to smile. I want you to know My humor. I want you to enjoy Me more and let, help, others enjoy Me more and what I do and how I am.

3. Leadership Ted. Leadership. Just as your heart has yearned and screamed out at times, "where are the leaders, where are the leaders that know God and will stand up and lead?" This, Ted, was My heart. This Ted, is My heart. Ted lead. Be not afraid in any way to stand up and lead and say this is the way, walk ye in it. Walk in it Ted, walk in the leadership role I have called you to and given you and prepared you for those alongside I bring you. And I will bring you many to do what is in My heart.

4. You have prayed, "make what's important to you important to me," and you've prayed, "Lord, make what's unimportant to you unimportant to me." You, Ted, have withheld nothing from Me and My scrutiny and My correction, My voice, My eyes. You hid not your own flesh from Me and what I could do with you. You ached, didn't you? You ached at times when I would pull back your flesh from your spirit to see that something you held as truth is not truth. You stripped, you let me strip you of everything and Ted, I'm rebuilding the waste places that had untruth in it—that have been empty—and you, Ted, shall lead and restore many in truth that have erred in the faith.

5. You will walk forth strong, in My strength, for you have sought to do what I the Father am doing, what I am saying and to become what I designed you to be. Now go Ted, shrink not back from leadership and teaching what is in your heart. That which I have placed in your heart, to free people and let them lead, let them lead, teach them to lead, to stand up and be not intimidated and act cowardly, thinking they are pleasing me in their cowardice and confusion about what I am and what I want for their lives.

6. I speak Ted and I will speak more, through you and others I bring to you to help you and others I bring to you to free and mature and others all around the globe. Take your place and be not afraid of those with titles and wealth and political influence. You have prayed many times for Me not to promote you beyond your character and what you can handle, always honoring Me. Ted, I trust you. Write, Ted, write what I am saying.

Write and let them see that you pause and question Me and question yourself. Write Ted and continue this writing. Lead Ted. Lead. Lead forth and be you.

7. Remember how you have prayed over and over to be you, yourself, as I designed you to be, not controlled, influenced or intimidated, controlled, hindered by any other? Yes, you will never forget those heart cries to Me. Ted, don't you see, you see, I want others to see that will read this and receive My words, My words through you, that what I was letting happen to you for you to cry out to Me and express your heart cry to Me, to be you, and be not hemmed in and not controlled in any way, is like Me. I want to be Me in My people, in My church, in My temples, in My body, in the earth, without being hemmed in by the lack of faith and knowledge that people operate with. I want them to come to Me and be free to operate in truth so that they trust Me to seek correction, discipline, and judgment, even now as you have, so that they will mature.

8. Tell them Ted. Lead and raise up the leaders, the schools, the schools that are in your heart. They will come forth Ted, for I am linking you with many of My leaders, captains, and generals and lieutenants and people of all roles of leadership in My body, who have paid a price to know My voice and seek Me for what I want to do through them.

9. There are many Ted, that will let Me speak to them and use them and will obey My voice that have been waiting for leadership and leaders from My throne who will lead them and not abuse them. Love them and increase their freedom rather than rob it and stomp them, as some have done in My name in the past.

10. It's a new day Ted, and you are at the forefront of what I am doing and you will walk in leadership and many will look to you for guidance. And Ted, where much is given, much is required. Take your eyes off of Me and the waters below will open and you will sink and wonder what happened. I am not playing. I'm not playing at this or with you or with them. This is real and it's as real as it gets.

11. Not go forth and shrink not back. Ask people to help you. Let them give to you. Proclaim My words, proclaim this word far and wide and if they have a question about it they can ask Me and those that ask, that can hear My voice, will hear My answer.

12. I will lead. I will guide. I will provide. Be not hesitant to let your need be known and those that cast you down and criticize you will be sorry for they do so in their logic and not in their spirit, their mind that's given to Me, their spirit, their logic, and distaste and distrust of others carries over often to the wrong people.

13. Some will misunderstand but leave them to Me. Honor all people, those that help you and those that don't. Walk in honor, My honor and take not the honor that comes to you for yourself. We've talked about that and we'll talk about it often for I will use you and I will remind you and you will choose, everyday you will choose.

14. Now Ted, write. Write and tell Wade Paschal that I love him and let him read this. Tell him I appreciate how he has placed his face in My face and his life in My hands. Yes Ted, your prayers for him a little bit ago were from Me and I will answer what I had in My

heart that I put in your heart to pray that voiced forth to My throne and My Father and Me will bring it forth. We like him. We love him. We are one. Now tell him your prayers and how you appreciate and honor him. Be not afraid. Anytime you obey Me you are carrying out what I have asked you to do. Be not concerned with anything I tell you that you or others may think is self serving, just do as I ask, request, and often plead, over time, for you to do.

15. Trust Me more and tell them to trust Me more. Walk in leadership and continue to bless Wade Paschal and those I bring you to. I will bring you many. Fear not. I am with you and I am with you in these words, these instructions and what I have called you to.

16. You want specifics, you want more specifics and definitions and more clarity even yet of your role and leadership and concepts and scriptures and so much more, and Ted, I like that about you. You know, you KNOW the source, the fountain of knowledge, wisdom and understanding, and you are coming and seeking and those who seek find. It—Me—is always opened to those who seek Me. Those who seek Me for who I am and not just what I can do for them.

17. Go Ted, go grow and have fun. I'm serious and I'm fun and you be both too. Let others joy in these words I give you. And those who are not understanding of them, My grace covers. I will pull them, I will pull them along as they let Me. My grace is sufficient and My judgments true.

18. Ted, thank you for writing My words. Write them more and get to where you really do send them out right after I give them to you. I will share with you many times a day, even like this, and more, much more, many more details and specifics, as you let Me and fear not. For My thinking is not of man and many things of Me and My kingdom are incongruent in the religious world, the world, and what people hold as how I am.

19. As you grow I will grow in you and fear will diminish and diminish more and more in you until I can say whatever I want and you will say it, speak it, publish it, far and wide.

20. Always listen to Me and to those that come to you in love and I shall use you and I shall use them. I want to raise up so many more people, so many more, so many more. They choose, they choose and I choose. Tell them they choose. Emphasize that they choose what I do with them and how much I can give them of Me and what they allow Me to do with them. They choose.

21. Randy Hurst is right [about the 12 disciples]. The 12, the 3, the 1. Did the 12 choose? Did the 3 choose? Did the 1 choose? Or was it all of Me and My choosing? Ted, it was of Me because I called them, but it was them because they responded like they did. I choose, call, plead and beg with so many making Myself so plain to many who continue to fear, fear man and not have the guts to step out.

22. You will help many step out of the world order into My order, Kingdom order, and you will be and lead a mighty army of those seeking freedom and their spirits to hear Me, hear My daily instructions to them, to hear My heart and plead with Me to be close to

Me. Plead with Me to be their friend and to do what they were born for. You will birth many and you will have much responsibility in My kingdom.

23. Time Ted, time, let not the pressures of this world affect your time with Me. I am a jealous God and I will share My glory with no man and I will not cast My array of beauty and truth before those who place not on them the utmost importance.

24. Go Ted, Tell David Armentrout I love him and how I have longed to hold him in My arms more. I love him and he loves Me. He has sought Me and come before Me often and he has many answers and more questions. Tell him I love him and joy in him and to be not confused when confusing things appear. I am Wisdom and Wisdom and I know him and have called him and will raise him up. Tell him. Tell him, trust Me. Ask him to laugh more and tell him how I have talked with you recently about My desire to laugh more and that My people, My people I desire to laugh more and be happy and strong and strengthened in what I have for them and what I am doing in them even if they don't see Me, feel Me, or don't know what to do. I am close. Tell him I love him and I love his family. Tell them, I smile when I think of them.

25. Now go Ted, grow in what I have given you. Grow in the gifts I have given you. Grow in leadership and solid deep trust that I am that I am and I am is giving you all that I've said I'm giving you.

Thank you, thank you, thank you.